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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:

MAKOTO SATO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/702,764

Filed: November 1, 2000

For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,
AND APPARATUS, AND
STORAGE MEDIUM

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

) : Examiner: N.Y.A. Technology Center 2600
): Group Art Unit: N.Y.A.
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/050,120	03/30/98	2721
09/370,198	08/09/99	2721
09/627,722	07/28/2000	2713
09/412,432	10/05/99	2721
09/413,022	10/06/99	2713

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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